

requests that the Examiner provide an Office Action considering all of the claims present in the application.

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance.

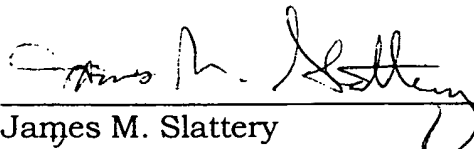
In the event there are any outstanding matters remaining in this application the Examiner is invited to contact Paul C. Lewis at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area to discuss these matters.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, particularly, extension of time fees.

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